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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gerdes et al.

Serial No. 09/944,604

Filed: August 31, 2001

For: NUCLEIC ACID ARCHIVING

To: BOX RESPONSE FEE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Applicants hereby request an extension of time of one month, from September 27, 2002 to October 27, 2002, in which to respond to the Office Action, Paper No. 6, dated August 27, 2002. A check including the fee required for this petition is submitted herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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